

**AN ORDINANCE
BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS OF GUSTAF LINDSTROM WELCH, IN THE CASE OF WELCH V. CRAWFORD, CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 2000CV03686D, IN THE STATE COURT OF CLAYTON COUNTY, STATE OF GEORGIA, TO CAUSE PAYMENT TO BE MADE IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$57,500.00); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

02-0-1710

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2000, Gustaf Lindstrom Welch initiated the case of G. Lindstrom Welch v. Michael D. Crawford, alleging under the common law of the State of Georgia that Defendant is liable for injuries suffered by Mr. Welch; and

WHEREAS, the lawsuit stems from the alleged events surrounding a pedestrian-automobile accident that occurred on October 1, 1998, at the intersection of West Peachtree Place, N.W. and Williams Street, N.W., in Atlanta, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Defendant Micheal B. Crawford, Sr., a police officer with the Atlanta Police Department, who was on-duty, and driving a City-owned car, and traveling east on West Peachtree Place to return to his Zone; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Welch was working as a member of the Ambassador Force of Downtown Atlanta, and was on-duty and patrolling his assigned area, and was walking in an eastbound direction crossing Williams Street, N.W.; and

WHEREAS, Officer Crawford turned north onto Williams Street, N.W. in accordance with traffic signals, and accidentally hit Mr. Welch as Mr. Welch was crossing the intersection of West Peachtree Place and Williams Street, N.W.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Welch received injuries to his head, right elbow, and left lower leg, and was removed from the scene by ambulance and taken to Grady Memorial Hospital for evaluation and treatment; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Welch was hospitalized at Grady Memorial Hospital for nine (9) days, and received treatment for his head and elbow injuries at Grady Memorial Hospital, and underwent two (2) surgical procedures at Grady Memorial Hospital to treat a circulatory condition that occurred in his left leg as a result of the accident; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Welch was unable to work for 13 days; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Welch requires additional medical procedures to treat long-term effects of his injuries; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Welch alleges that Officer Crawford acted in a negligent fashion; and